

# THEIR IDEAS.



First Woman—A smart woman can fool a man all his life.

Second Woman—And a smart man can only fool a woman until she finds it out.

## LEG A MASS OF HUMOR

"About seven years ago a small abrasion appeared on my right leg just above my ankle. It irritated me so that I began to scratch it, and it began to spread until my leg from my ankle to the knee was one solid scale like a scab. The irritation was always worse at night and would not allow me to sleep, or my wife either, and it was completely undermining our health. I lost fifty pounds in weight and was almost out of my mind with pain and chagrin as no matter where the irritation came, at work, on the street or in the presence of company, I would have to scratch it until I had the blood running down into my shoe. I simply cannot describe my suffering during those seven years. The pain, mortification, loss of sleep, both to myself and wife is simply indescribable on paper and one has to experience it to know what it is.

"I tried all kinds of doctors and remedies but I might as well have thrown my money down a sewer. They would dry up for a little while and fill me with hope only to break out again just as bad if not worse. I had given up hope of ever being cured when I was induced by my wife to give the Cuticura Remedies a trial. After taking the Cuticura Remedies for a little while I began to see a change, and after taking a dozen bottles of Cuticura Resolvent in conjunction with the Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment, the trouble had entirely disappeared and my leg was as fine as the day I was born. Now after a lapse of six months with no signs of a recurrence I feel perfectly safe in extending to you my heartfelt thanks for the good the Cuticura Remedies have done for me. I shall always recommend them to my friends. W. H. White, 312 E. Cabot St., Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 4 and Apr. 13, 1909."

### Force of Habit.

Little Girl—Mummy! (No answer.) Mummy! Are those swallows? Mummy (deep in her book)—Yes, dear. Don't touch them.—Punch.

### At the Shore.

Polly—I wonder how Cholly manages to keep that wide-brimmed straw on in a wind like this. Dolly—Vacuum pressure.—Judge.

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# DEMOCRATS PROTECTED

## SUPREME COURT COMES TO THE RESCUE AND SENATORIAL DISTRICTS STAND.

But Judge Woodson Denies That the Secretary of State Has Authority to Pass on Legal Merits of Amendments.

Missouri Republicans were not surprised by the opinion of Chief Justice Fox in the Roach mandamus case. They anticipated it. They knew that the proposed amendment to the Constitution changing the senatorial districts and changing the law under which they have been gerrymandered since 1880 was well drawn, was in conformity with the new initiative and referendum law, and a proper matter to lay before the voters at the November election; and they knew that the immense petition for its submission was all right. Yet they felt sure that the Democrats would find some way to prevent a vote on the proposed amendment and to hold to the privilege they have enjoyed for thirty years of gerrymandering Republicans out of the Senate chamber.

The citizens of the state generally are gratified, however, to find that one Democratic member of the Supreme Court agrees with John Kennish and Judge Brown and Homer Hall and C. C. Madison and other Republican lawyers that the secretary of state is a ministerial officer without authority to determine the constitutionality of a measure proposed for adoption by the people under the initiative and referendum law. The dissenting opinion of Judge Archibald M. Woodson, one of the newer and younger members of the Supreme Court, is so wise, so clear, so courageous that it deserves space in every newspaper of the state and the hearty commendation of every fair minded and patriotic Missourian. Judge Woodson was elected to a full term on the Supreme Bench in 1906. He is a Kentuckian by birth but was raised in Buchanan county and began the practice of law at St. Joseph, where he was frequently honored before his election to the Supreme Court. He is a nephew of former Governor Silas Woodson. Dissenting from the majority opinion of the court, written by Chief Justice Fox, Judge Woodson wrote the following:

### Courageous Opinion.

"I am unable to agree with our learned Chief Justice and others of my associates as to the powers and duties of the Secretary of State in the premises. In my opinion the design of the Legislature in requiring the petitions of the voters to be filed with the Secretary of State was simply to make him the custodian of the petitions and other proceedings in the initiative and referendum legislation in the same manner as the custodian of all proceedings leading up to the legislation to be enacted by the General Assembly of the State. And the question of their validity, as well as all laws enacted by the people in pursuance thereof, are no more addressed to the courts until after their enactment than as are the proposed enactments of the Legislature.

"It is conceded by all that a proposed bill, however offensive it may be to the organic law of the state, pending in the Legislature, cannot be controlled by the courts prior to its enactment, for the obvious reason, first, because the courts have no authority or jurisdiction over the legislation, and, second, because the bill may never receive the sanction of that lawmaking power; and, in my opinion, the same is true of the initiative and referendum—the courts have no power to control the action of the sovereign people in the enactment of laws. And they may repudiate the proposed legislation submitted to them for ratification which would obviate the necessity of all action on the part of the court.

"To hold that the courts cannot control the people themselves in such legislation by a direct proceeding instituted against them, but that they can do so indirectly by controlling the action of the Secretary of State, who is their representative, is to ignore that legal maxim which prohibits that from being done indirectly which may not be done directly.

"In my opinion it would be just as appropriate to pass upon the validity of, or to construe a will, when presented for probate, as it would be to pass upon the validity of a law, or any of its preliminary steps prior to its enactment."

### A Deep-Going Opinion.

The opinion of Judge Fox, concurred in by Judge Gantt, Democratic nominee for re-election, and by Judges Burgess and Graves, "goes deep to distinguish between an amendment to the Constitution and the enactment of a law," so the St. Louis Republic says. It goes so deep in that direction that no layman and few lawyers can follow it. It has been conceded for

quite a while that a decision of the Supreme Court sustaining the action of Secretary Roach would have to go very deep. If the Democratic leaders have to go with it to its depth they'll find that they Can't Come Back.

The opinion, in brief, holds that the proposed amendment provides only a temporary fundamental law and therefore ought not be engrafted on the Constitution, which is the permanent law, but ought to take the form of a legislative enactment. Of course it can't take that form now under the initiative in time to prevent another gerrymander of the senatorial districts, by the Democrats in 1911!

The opinion also points out the fact that the proposed amendment is not in proper form because it does not expressly repeal that part of Section 7 Article 4, which it would invalidate if adopted. That section contains the provision of the Constitution under which the Democrats have for thirty years delegated to the Secretary of State and Attorney General and Governor authority to gerrymander the districts. It is as follows:

"Provided, That if at any time, or from any cause, the General Assembly shall fail or refuse to district the state for senators, as required in this section, it shall be the duty of the Governor, Secretary of State and Attorney General, within thirty days after the adjournment of the General Assembly on which such duty devolved, to perform said duty, and to file in the office of the Secretary of State a full statement of the districts formed by them, including the names of the counties embraced in each district, and the numbers thereof; said statement to be signed by them, and attested by the Great Seal of State, and upon the proclamation of the Governor, the same shall be binding and effectual as if done by the General Assembly."

This proviso is now known as the Democratic "joker," because it permits a gerrymander every ten years.

That part of the proposed amendment which, could it be adopted, would annul the above proviso and suspend the whole of Section 7 reads as follows:

"This division of the state into senatorial districts shall continue until the United States census of 1920 shall have been taken and the result thereof as to this state ascertained, when the districts shall, by law enacted by the people, or passed by the General Assembly, be revised and adjusted on the basis of that census, and every ten years thereafter upon the basis of the United States census, the districts shall be revised and adjusted by a law enacted by the people or passed by the General Assembly."

In their honest and supposedly wise judgment, Republican lawyers believed that any section of the Constitution directly inconsistent with an amendment adopted by the people would have to get off the bench and take a back seat, but they know more now. You can't get rid of a provision under which the Democrats may continue to gerrymander the senatorial districts without hitting it squarely between the eyes with a legal sledge hammer and then proving to the Secretary of State that your blow was constitutional.

Since the Supreme Court has knocked sky high according to the St. Louis Republic the proposed amendment under which the people might have released the grip of the corporations, the lobbyists and the "interests" on the State Senate by redistricting the state, with their own votes, the most immediate and effective remedy is to elect enough Republicans this year to control the Senate and insure the passage of an honest redistricting bill. Otherwise the Senate will again defeat any and all redistricting bills and thus empower Con. Roach, Secretary of State, with the assistance of Attorney General Major, to gerrymander the state just as his Democratic predecessors did in 1881, 1891 and 1901.

## HALL A CAMPAIGNER

### REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS KEEPS GOING.

The Sedalia Democrat-Sentinel, a Democratic paper of the kind that believes that Missouri belongs, in fee simple, to the Democratic party, heads an article about Hon. Holmes Hall this way: "He'll Know More Later. Has a Pipe Dream at Springfield." The article repeats an optimistic interview with Mr. Hall concerning his prospects for election to Congress from the Seventh district. He has been making a close and careful campaign, being the only Republican candidate, and has made such a good impression that his Democratic opponent will find him a hard man to handle. His election is not at all improbable though the district is normally Democratic. He is a member of the State Senate from the Fifteenth gerrymandered Democratic district, composed of the counties of Saline, Pettis, Benton and Hickory, strung out in a line from North to South so as to kill the Republican vote in the three other counties with the heavy Democratic majority in Saline. Hall won the district in 1908 and it looks like he will win the Seventh Congressional district in 1910.

Every Missourian who was lured away from his good home in this state before a new spirit took possession of it is now urged to return and share in its prosperity and glory. There's room for all and a hearty welcome to those Who May Come Back.

## KANSAS CITY POLICE

### DEMOCRATIC NEWSPAPERS LYING ABOUT DEPARTMENT.

The Kansas City police department, having been completely reformed and entirely divorced from partisan politics, the Democratic press, led by the St. Louis Republic, would have the people believe that it has become a part of the Republican city organization.

Of course that's a lie—one of the bold political lies now being circulated in lieu of honest campaign arguments. The Democratic press finds nothing in the true situation at Kansas City to condemn, so it must invent something to shoot at.

The real truth is that the police department at Kansas City furnished to the Democratic leaders an army of uniformed Democratic ward and precinct workers for many years. Since this army has been restored to the service of the people the Democratic politicians of Kansas City and of the state have been trying to make the people believe that it has been transformed into a Republican machine. More than half of the policemen being Democrats, it would not be an easy matter to make Republican machine men of them, if the Police Board wished to do so. As a matter of fact the policemen in Kansas City are under instructions to ignore politics and to give their time to police duties; and they are obeying their instructions, though it has been difficult to prevent some of the Democratic officers following a course of political meddling and activity to which they became accustomed under Democratic control.

### Case Not Yet Disposed Of.

Democratic newspapers are proclaiming the Supreme Court decision in the Roach mandamus case a great victory for the Democrats. May-be-so—may-be-so. But wait till the people are heard from. The case was not disposed of by that decision. It was just opened up good. The arguments that count for a fair deal and a representative State Senate are yet to be heard, not by Democratic judges only but by the court of last resort in this state—the people. They will have an opinion to hand down, too—one that will go deeper into the merits of this controversy than the opinion of the Supreme Court goes into the difference between a legislative proposition and a proposed amendment to the Constitution.

### Is Judge Graves Right?

Not content with assenting to the majority opinion of the Supreme Court in the Roach mandamus case Judge Graves, who was elected in 1908 to a full term on the Supreme Bench over his Republican opponent, Judge Cox, volunteered a separate concurring opinion in which he contends that the Secretary of State has the right to pass upon the constitutionality of a legislative measure or a constitutional amendment to be submitted under the initiative and referendum law. If Judge Graves is right then the quicker that law is repealed or carefully amended the better for the people. If a partisan Secretary of State can stand between citizens who propose legislation and the people who must vote upon measures submitted under the initiative and referendum law there is absolutely no good in the new law. It can only be used by citizens favored by the Secretary of State.

### Couldn't Grab All of Them.

In making up the present senatorial districts of Missouri the Democratic State officials could not gerrymander all of the counties, because some of them are heavily Republican, and could not have been absorbed so as to make more Democratic districts, so they were set aside as hopeless and allowed Republican representation in the Senate.

A glance at the gerrymandered map will show that the counties composing the present districts are not contiguous, as the Constitution requires; that they are not compact and not conveniently arranged, as the Constitution requires; but, on the contrary, they are arranged primarily to insure the election of Democratic senators.

The whole map is a reflection of the desperate and damnable schemes of the Democratic leaders to control the State Senate. It is doubtful whether politicians in any state in the Union have ever attempted a gerrymander of representative districts so palpably and desperately partisan and unfair. It is a wonder that the people have submitted to it so long. But for the intervention of a partisan court they would undoubtedly undo this gerrymander and administer a stinging rebuke to the Democratic leaders who are responsible for it.

It is to be regretted that Judge Lamm, the only Republican member of the Supreme Court, did not write an opinion in the Roach mandamus case. He could have said something quite interesting—no doubt about that. Perhaps he thought it would be love's labor lost. Judge Woodson's opinion is generally approved by able lawyers.

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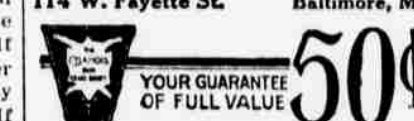
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